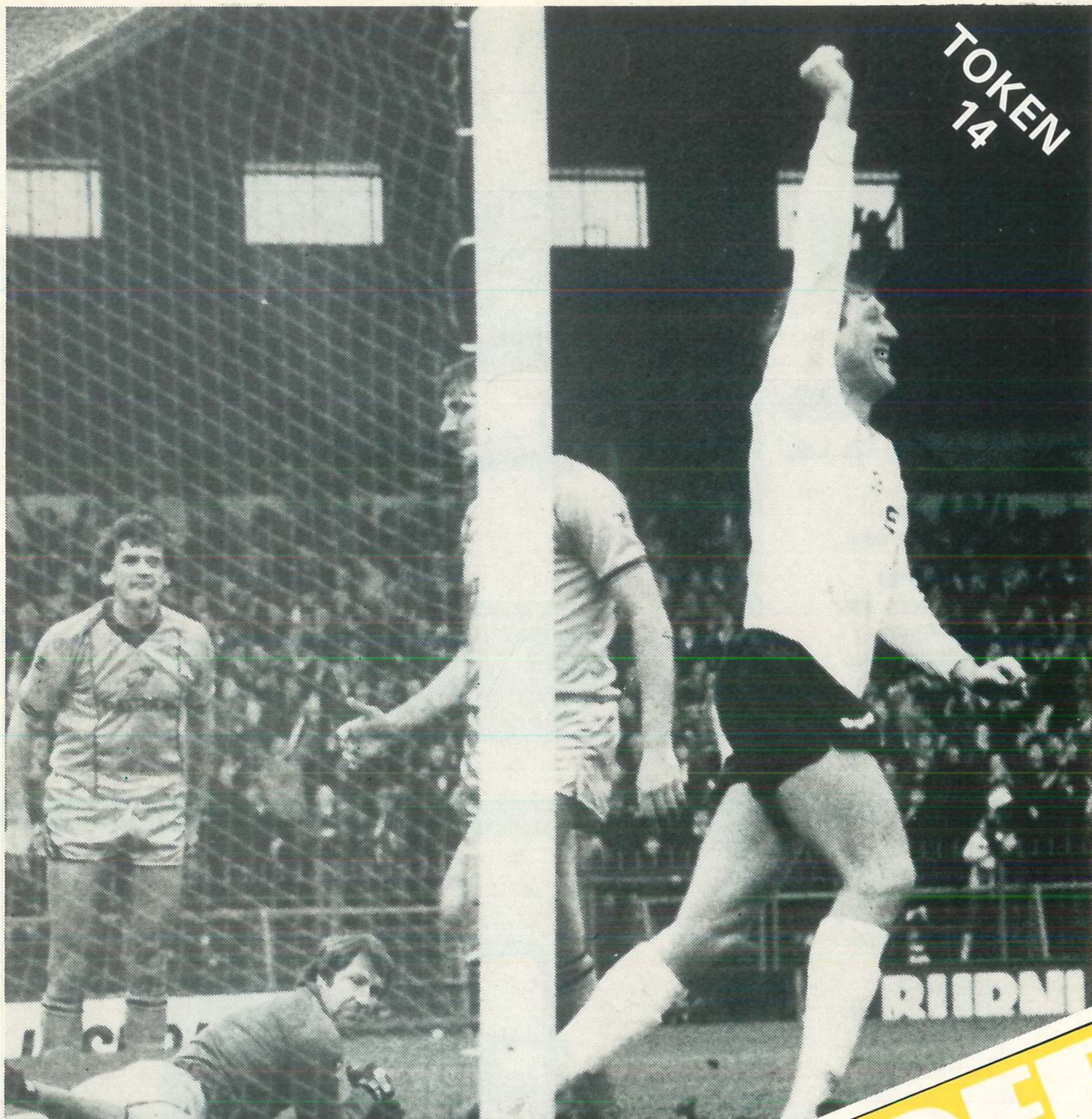


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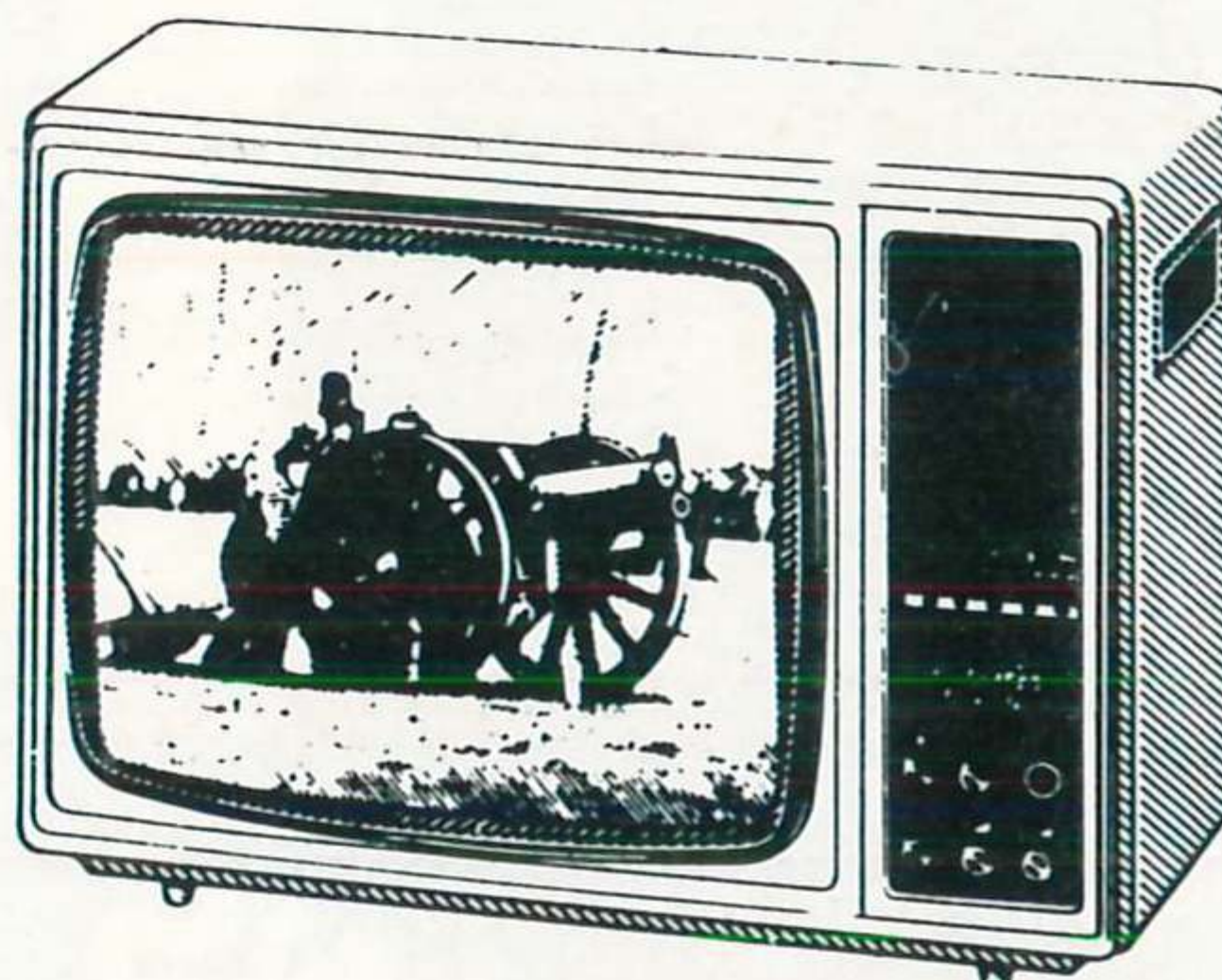
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George Mulhall writes

Welcome again to frost-free Burnden Park for today's game against Chelsea — our fifth successive home game thanks to the freeze.

While I'm happy that our undersoil heating system has proved an effective antidote to the icy Arctic blast I can't help wishing we'd been able to fit in a couple of away games. That would have been a test of how good our recent improvement has been and would have prevented a build up of a large batch of away games later in the season.

Nevertheless we have to be thankful that we've been able to get some football in. Others haven't been so fortunate.

Blackpool played at home on Saturday for the first time since November and Bury had their home game against Hartlepool postponed which meant they hadn't had a League game since December 5.

While many have struggled to beat the freeze, Chelsea, our opponents today, have come through it stronger than ever.

Their manager John Neal won the Second Division Manager of the Month award for December having taken his side to the fringe of the promotion race.

We have a score to settle after our defeat at Stamford Bridge on the opening day of the season, so we'll be in determined mood this afternoon,

anxious to extend out unbeaten home sequence.

You can bet, though, that we'll have to be at our best to turn the tables on Chelsea, who have become one of the in-form teams in the Division.

A little bonus for me this afternoon is to meet my old mate Ian McNeill who is assistant manager under John Neal.

I started my footballing career with Ian at Aberdeen — the two of us and Ian McFarland who is now assistant manager at Leicester City. So I'll have some old times to talk over.

It's given me great heart in the recent past to have watched the progress of some of our youngsters here at Burnden Park.

Our young 'keeper Simon Farnworth was with the England Youth squad earlier in the season; Wayne Foster was at the Lilleshall National Sports Centre this week and while he was there we heard that another of our youngsters Simon Rudge had been invited to attend a similar get-together at Lilleshall this coming week.

While injuries and the like have forced me to call on the talents of young lads like Wayne Foster and Mike Bennett earlier than I would have liked, there's no doubt that these players have benefited from the experience.

Bennett, Foster, Farnworth and Rudge have all attracted interest at representative level and that must augur well for Bolton.

And don't forget Geoff Langley who got his chance of first team experience when we had an emergency in midfield with Len Cantello and David Hoggan. Geoff did himself proud — and that for a youngster playing out of position. He's more accustomed to playing in attack.

Bolton's long-term future is in the hands of these youngsters. So not suprisingly I look at their current form and see bright and better days ahead.

FRONT COVER: Alan Gowling scores the first goal against Derby in the F.A. Cup.

CHELSEA



Back Row: Michael Nutton, Colin Lee, Colin Pates, Micky Droy, Paul Willaims, Phil Driver, Paul Ward.
Middle Row: Ian McNeill (Assistant Manager), Ron Stuart (Chief Scout), Peter Rhoades-Brown, Timmy Elmes, Gary Chivers, Bob Iles, Petar Borota, Mike Fillery, Gary Locke, Chris Hutchings, Norman Medhurst (Head Trainer), Eddie Franklin (Physiotherapist).
Front Row: Graham Wilkins, Kevin Hales, Clive Walker, Dennis Rofe, John Neal (Manager), Ian Britton, John Bumstead, Alan Mayes, Colin Viljoen.

CHELSEA STEP UP CHALLENGE

By Tony Pullein

No one outside Stamford Bridge reckoned Chelsea as serious promotion contenders until they hit form in November and ended the old year with a run of six unbeaten games which produced 12 points.

They ended 1981 with a good 2-0 win on Q.P.R.'s controversial Omniturf pitch and that left them excellently placed to regain the First Division place they forfeited in 1979.

After missing promotion on goal-difference in 1980, Chelsea collapsed completely after a fine start last season.

This led to the departure of manager Geoff Hurst at the end of the season and to the appointment of former Wrexham and Middlesbrough manager John Neal during the summer. He found himself with quite a challenge on his hands for, though Chelsea desperately need a return to First Division football to boost their finances, there was little ready cash available for the new manager to strengthen his squad.

Chelsea won their first two games this season but then quickly went into decline. In his search for the best combination to arrest the slump, Mr Neal called upon 20 players during the early weeks.

The club's main strength is possibly in midfield where they normally play with four men. Mr Neal opened the season with former England international Colin Viljoen, John Bumstead, Mike Fillery and Clive Walker in this department.

While Bumstead and Fillery have remained on permanent duty Phil Driver, Ian Britton, Kevin Hales and Peter Rhoades-Brown have all taken turns in the other midfield positions.

Though neither Alan Mayes nor Colin Lee have been scoring at more than a modest rate, they have been Chelsea's two chief strikers for much of the campaign.

Mr Neal ultimately came to the decision to

dispense with the sometimes eccentric talents of goalkeeper Petar Borota. Though a great favourite with the Stamford Bridge crowd — and undoubtedly one of football's top entertainers — Borota's occasional hikes to regions not normally visited by goalkeepers tend to place his goal in jeopardy.

And, for a team going through a difficult period, such antics do little to inspire confidence among the defence. The situation reached a critical point when Chelsea were thrashed 6-0 at Rotherham and, a couple of weeks later, Mr Neal plunged Steve Francis into the thick of things.

The 17-year old made his bow in a League Cup tie at Wigan which developed into a disaster. Chelsea were beaten 4-2 by the Fourth Division club but Mr Neal kept faith in his young 'keeper who seems now to have earned the position on merit.

Colin Pates and Micky Droy have been re-establishing their partnership in the middle of the defence and Graham Wilkins succeeded Gary Locke at right-back. Following the injury to Dennis Rofe, Chris Hutchings has been holding the left-back spot.

It's a long while now since Chelsea were a major power in League football yet they have achieved much success in Cup soccer over the past decade or so.

It was in 1970 that they surprised the world by defeating Leeds United in an F.A. Cup final replay, thus starting the modern trend of the under-dogs winning this particular final. Chelsea twice came from behind to draw 2-2 at Wembley and then fell behind again in the replay at Old Trafford. That game went into extra-time when Chelsea's winner was eventually scored by David Webb.

That victory gave Chelsea a crack at the European Cup-Winners' Cup and they battled their way all the way to the final where they met the legendary Real

Madrid. Again a replay was necessary and, after drawing the first game 1-1, Chelsea won the replay 2-1. Peter Osgood got the winner on that occasion.

Chelsea completed a hat-trick of cup final appearances when they reached the League Cup final the following season. This time they had to be satisfied with runners-up medals as they went down 1-2 to Stoke City.

It was during that flush of success that Chelsea committed themselves to their grandiose new ground improvement plans. Alas, they were relegated in 1975 and have yet to reappear in any form of Cup final.

Their 1970 F.A. Cup triumph was Chelsea's only win in that competition, though they were beaten in previous finals in 1915 and 1967.

In one previous League Cup final, they won the trophy in 1965 when defeating Leicester 3-2 on aggregate in the days before the final was taken to Wembley.

In League football, Chelsea have spent the greater part of their life in the First Division. Elected to Division Two in 1905, they made their first appearance at the top two years later.

Their only Championship success came in 1955 during their longest unbroken spell of First Division play: it lasted from 1930 until 1962.

On that occasion they made an immediate return to the top section. When they came down again in 1975, it took them two years.

They are now into their third season since their last relegation in 1979.

STEVE FRANCIS (Goalkeeper). Steve opened the season in Chelsea's third team. But manager John Neal had no hesitation in giving him his League debut at Oldham in November and he remained in the side for several weeks.

PETAR BOROTA (Goalkeeper). Petar is a Yugoslavian international who joined Chelsea from Partisan Belgrade for £70,000 in March 1979. He soon became a big favourite at Stamford Bridge with his spectacular antics.

GRAHAM WILKINS (Defender). Graham served his apprenticeship at Stamford Bridge and made his League Debut in 1972/73. A projected transfer to Crystal Palace last summer fell through and now he has won back his Chelsea place.

MICKY DROY (Defender). Micky, one of the tallest players in the game, developed in the club's junior sides and earned his League debut in 1971. Since then he has made well over 200 first-team appearances for the club.

COLIN PATES (Defender). Colin is yet another player to mature in the youth team. He got his first chance in the League eleven at Orient in November 1979.

GARY CHIVERS (Defender). Gary is another Chelsea discovery. He made his League bow against Middlesbrough in April 1979. Normally a centre-back he can also play full-back and last season he also appeared in midfield.

CHRIS HUTCHINGS (Defender). Chris was spotted in non-League soccer and scored on his League debut, when called on as substitute, at

Cardiff in October 1980. He was used in midfield for much of last season but was recently recalled to the side at full-back.

DENNIS ROFE (Defender). Dennis joined Chelsea from Leicester for £80,000 towards the end of 1979/80. He began his League career with Orient back in 1967/68 and in 1972 he was transferred to Leicester for £112,000.

GARY LOCKE (Defender). Gary won England youth honours in his early days at Stamford Bridge and made his League debut in 1972/73. He has now completed more than 250 first-team appearances.

KEVIN HALES (Midfield). Kevin made his League bow two years ago but he had been in the reserves for well over a year when he was recalled to the side in November. He scored his first goal against Sheffield Wednesday last month.

JOHN BUMSTEAD (Midfield). John is another product of the youth team. He came through for his League bow in 1978/79 and has been holding his place for the past two years.

MIKE FILLERY (Midfield). Mike is another player to have worked himself up from the youth team. He made his senior bow in 1978/79 and has been a fixture for the past two seasons.

CLIVE WALKER (Midfield). Clive was joint-top scorer with 13 goals two seasons ago. A former Chelsea apprentice, he was introduced to the first-team briefly in 1976/77 and has been in the side for the past four years.

IAN BRITTON (Midfield). Ian joined the club soon after leaving school and has been a member of the first-team pool for much of the time since his debut in 1972/73.

PETER RHOADES-BROWN (Midfield). Peter got his first-team chance two seasons ago and established himself in the side last season.

COLIN VILJOEN (Midfield). Colin spent many years with Ipswich, twice topping their scoring list. In 1974/75 he won two England caps but shortly after that he sustained an injury that robbed him of almost two seasons. He recovered and in 1978 Manchester City signed him for £100,000. He moved on to Chelsea for £60,000 in 1980.

PHIL DRIVER (Midfield). Phil was released by Luton and joined Bedford, until Wimbledon signed him and gave him a second chance in 1978. Such a big impression did he make with the Dons, that Chelsea signed him last season for an initial payment of £20,000.

COLIN LEE (Forward). Colin, who was signed from Tottenham for £200,000 two seasons ago, was top scorer with 16 goals last term. He began with Bristol City and served Hereford on loan before signing for Torquay for £8,000 in 1976. At Plainmoor he was converted from defence to attack and Spurs paid £60,000 for him a year later.

ALAN MAYES (Forward). Alan was never a first-team player while with Q.P.R. and it was after joining Watford that he made his League debut in 1974. In 1975/76 he was loaned out to Northampton but he returned to regain his first-team place and in 1978 he was sold to Swindon for £80,000. In 1979/80 he hit 28 goals for the Robins. Chelsea signed him for £200,000 last season.

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Club Scene

"PREVIOUS ENCOUNTERS"

By Simon Marland

Today's League meeting will be the 80th between the two clubs with the Wanderers having a slight lead in the proceedings with 31 victories to Chelsea's 27. This fixture dating back to 1907 has always produced goals, with only two of the previous games being goalless, both being at Stamford Bridge in seasons 1923/24 and 1937/38. Incidentally the return in 1937/38 resulted in a 5-5 draw.

The most memorable clash of recent times, or forgettable if you're a Wanderers supporter came at Stamford Bridge in season 1978/79. Bolton had taken a 3 goal half time lead and seemed to have the points and the first away win of the season in the bag. The second half was almost unbelievable as Chelsea scored 4 goals to win the game and send most of the 19,879 crowd home happy.

We have met twice since in both cup competitions, with Chelsea winning both F.A. cup ties in 1920 at Burnden, and in 1972 at Stamford Bridge. Honours are even in the League Cup with Chelsea winning 6-0 at Burnden in 1971/72 after a 1-1 draw, and Bolton winning in 1978/79 again at Burnden by 2-1. One game that doesn't appear in the official records was the meeting between the clubs at Stamford Bridge in June 1945 in the war time equivalent of the cup final. Both clubs had already won their respective Football League North and South cup competitions and the Wanderers won the game 2-1 with goals from Hunt and Hamlett.

SMILES IN THE TREATMENT ROOM

That injury jinx which has been hanging around at Burnden Park all season seems to be loosing its grip.

The long-term casualties which have hampered the team's development this season are showing signs of improvement which is encouraging to say the least.

A peep at the treatment room this week saw Peter Reid putting everything into a training stint round a tough circuit test; Ian Brennan running hard on his injured leg; Neil Berry back in action and Peter Nicholson well on his way to getting back into action in his Testimonial Year.

THANKS FOR TICKET HELP

Our thanks go out to the 30 business people around the town and outlying districts who volunteered to help us sell tickets for today's all-ticket fixture.

Restrictions were imposed on the sale of tickets for the game by the Football Association who acted in an effort to ban Chelsea supporters attending the game. Consequently we were unable to sell tickets for the game today.

Mindful of the interests of those fans who could not, for whatever reason, get down to Burnden to buy tickets, we invited local businesses to come forward and act as agents to sell match tickets.

The response was thrilling and we would like to pay tribute to those people who helped us and the fans.

We would like to apologise for any inconveniences caused to any of our own fans because of these

restrictions, but the matter was completely out of our hands.

Bolton Wanderers accepted the measures imposed by the FA in their bid to deter hooliganism. It was just unfortunate that some genuine football fans, many Bolton supporters living in the London area for instance, who were unable to obtain tickets for the game.

We hope the inconvenience was not too great.

DOUBLE FIRST IN CUP JOY

Our highly-acclaimed Cup victory over Derby County earned us a Fourth Round tie at Crystal Palace next Saturday — a game everyone here at Burnden is confident we can win.

The Derby game produced a double first with Alan Gowling scoring his first goal for Wanderers in the FA Cup — he's hit the target in the League Cup of course — and a first, and well-deserved senior goal for teenage striker Wayne Foster, who spent a few days with the England Youth squad this week.

Let's hope Alan's Derby success won't be his last FA Cup goal this season and that there'll be more to come from Wayne in the games ahead.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Important dates for your diary include our two re-arranged League games at Sheffield Wednesday and Wrexham, which were postponed on Dec 12 and Dec 26 respectively.

The Sheffield Wednesday game has been set for Hillsborough on Tuesday Feb 16 and the trip to Wrexham on Tuesday March 9. Both games will kick-off at 7.30pm.

The game against Newcastle United at St James's Park, postponed last Saturday, has still to be arranged and we have still to fix a date for the one outstanding Central League fixture against Leeds United at Elland Road.

YOUTH CUP TIE

Followers of the fortunes of our Youth team should look out for notification of the date of our semi-final tie against Oldham or Burnley in the Lancashire FA Youth Cup. The match has still to be arranged, but whatever the outcome of the Oldham v Burnley tie, it promises to be a thrilling semi-final. The winners will meet the winners of the Manchester City v Blackpool tie in the final.

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MULTIPLICATION-THE NAME OF THE GAME?

By Colin Benson

So the players union are ready to go into battle with the League clubs to bring an end to the £1 million transfer, by demanding that clubs accept their proposal to introduce a regulating system!

On the surface their demands and the reasons behind them seem pleasantly rational and a positive stride towards helping alleviate the monstrous financial burden that is throttling the game. But is it really that simple, is this the answer to soccer's crumbling economy?

Alan Gowling the chairman of the players union (P.F.A.) maintains that the no holds barred attitude prevailing in the transfer market contributes significantly to spiralling wage demands by his members, deepens the financial crisis that besets the game and alienates the man in the street who is also suffering from the recession.

It must be admitted that when plea's of poverty come streaming forth from crippled clubs there is a tendency to think that they are crying wolf when on the same back page the headlines reveal yet another £1 million plus deal in the pipeline. But reality is not always what it seems and such deals are always negotiated over deferred terms.

Anyway how many of the 92 clubs become involved in such mammoth transfers? Not many and to suggest that the transfer market is the root cause of the game's current financial dilemma is grossly underestimating the enormous and intricate problems that are haunting our national sport.

The only money lost to the game on a transfer deal is the VAT and the percentage paid to the player involved, the rest stays within the League. It does not take an expert to extract from a balance sheet the main cause of football's tottering economy, it can be found under the column headed 'wages and bonuses.' Quite simply the players are taking more out of the industry through their pay packets than they are pulling in through the turnstiles.

EXPLOSIVE

The obvious treatment then would seem to be to prune the wage bill. The union's solution to that is to introduce the multiplier system used in Europe and recently adopted in America. The suggestion which was first muted in 1978 regulates the transfer fee of a player by multiplying the player's wage, by a factor determined by his age and the status of the two clubs concerned.

The conclusion drawn up by the PFA is that if the transfer fee is lower then the player can not be expected to demand such a high salary: "Big fees have set in motion a wage spiral that is out of control and no one knows where it will stop," claims Gowling. But will regulating transfer fees help control wages?

Not according to Coventry City chairman Jimmy Hill, himself once the mouthpiece of the players union. On the contrary he believes it could spark a wages explosion. Mr. Hill points out that if a top line player was available for a maximum of £250,000 then every First Division club in the country would be after him. The player would then be in a position to hold an "auction" over his wages and signing-on fee. The result of that is obvious. The money which would have been transferred to the selling club would be given to the player . . . in other words it would be lost to the game.

I suspect though that there are other motives behind the players wish to change the system, as highlighted by the union's new Secretary Gordon Taylor when he said: "We feel the size of fees restricts the free movement of our members."

It is patently obvious that the union feel restricted by the transfer system which denies them complete freedom of contract and their warning that they will take the League to court under EEC rules which could enforce complete freedom,

if the club chairmen once more reject their proposals, is surely proof enough.

I always understood that unions were there to safeguard the interests of their members but the PFA seem hell bent on furthering the interests of the chosen few rather than the majority. Indeed they have a pitiful track record when it comes to securing employment.

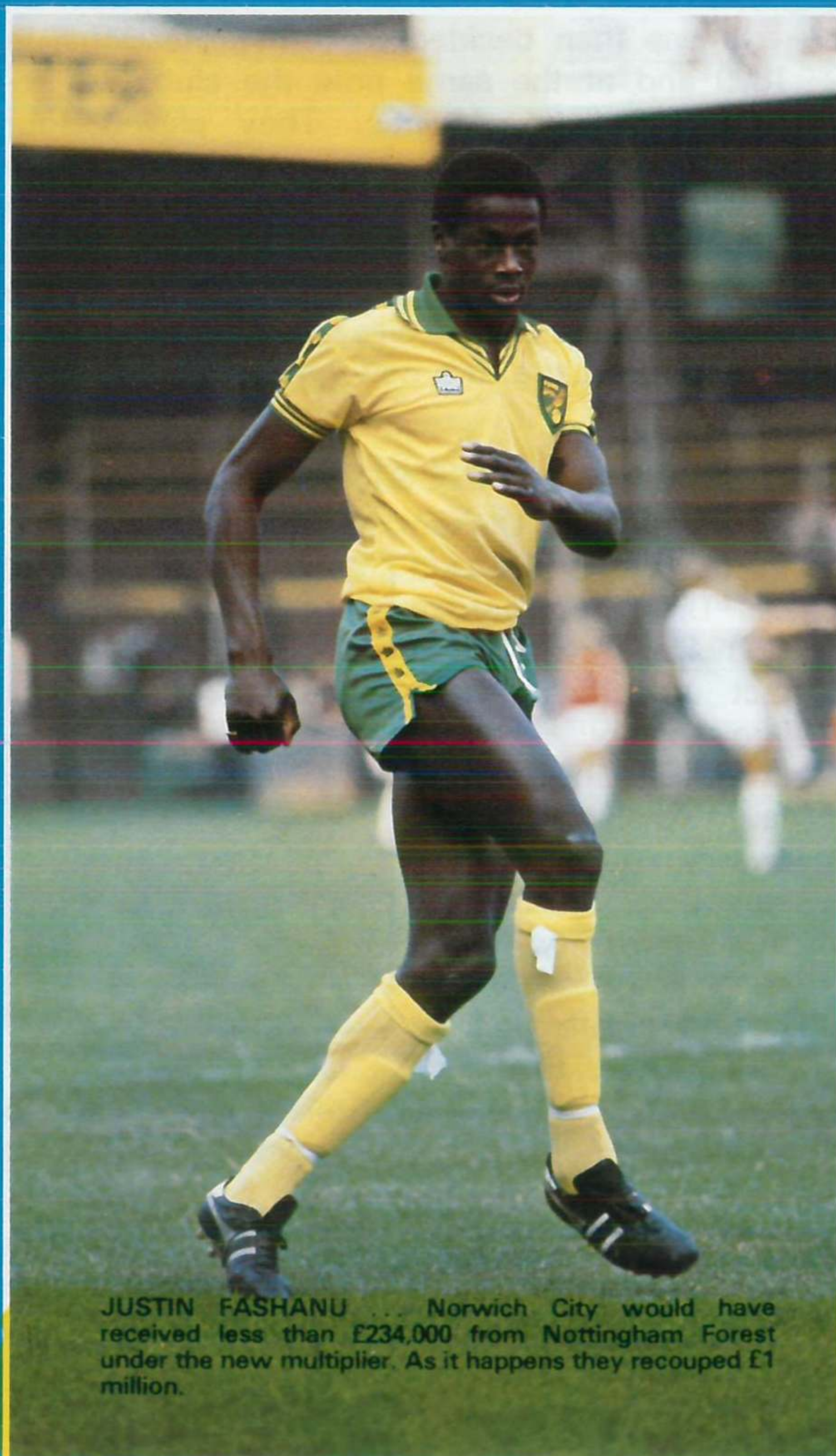
The first major triumph for the union was in 1958 when they fought for the abolition of the maximum wage. That cost them something like 1,600 jobs as clubs axed their playing staffs in order to pay the lucky ones more. The next major crusade has brought about freedom of contract which has again resulted in a large percentage of their membership joining the dole queues while the stars get richer!

It is an unhealthy trend which does not benefit the game or the people who work in it and yet this latest threat only serves to continue the erosion.

In all fairness the clubs themselves are just as guilty for it is they who have succumbed to the players greed and paid out the ludicrous salaries they can ill afford.

The Football League is virtually a closed-shop and as such could easily have implemented a salary and bonus guideline similar to those adopted in industry.

Now the whole thing is a disgraceful mess but if the PFA are really as concerned as they say they are about the welfare of their industry then they should be concentrating on easing the current top heavy wages structure which is killing the game.



JUSTIN FASHANU . . . Norwich City would have received less than £234,000 from Nottingham Forest under the new multiplier. As it happens they recouped £1 million.

Famous Clubs

OLDHAM! The very name conjures up visions of rain swept grey slated roofs covering long rows of terraced houses, nestling round the bric-a-brac of the Industrial Revolution. It is not the most picturesque of towns and yet it is only a few miles away from some of the most glorious scenery of the Pennines.

In football terms also Oldham have been very close to the promised land, but have never quite made the final step. From this Coronation Street environment has grown a club that epitomises the character of the folk it represents. Warm and friendly, Oldham Athletic have soldiered on and achieved their success through hard work and endeavour.

Formed in 1894 as Pine Villa F.C. by a group of amateurs they did reasonably well in the Oldham Junior League. Rugby was the predominant game in the area at the time and so to develop further, Pine Villa entered the Manchester Alliance, finishing second in their first season.

It was then decided to turn professional in 1899 and at the same time the club was re-named Oldham Athletic. They played four seasons in the Manchester League before gaining admittance to the Lancashire Combination in 1904. The club was developing at a fast pace and in order to keep abreast of the success on the field, it was agreed to move from Sheep foot Lane to a new ground at Boundary Park.

FINE START

By this time Oldham had gained promotion to the Senior Division of the Lancashire Combination and had in fact applied for entry into the Football League in 1906. The request failed when they polled twenty votes, just one too few, but the disappointment was soon neutralised when just a year later Burslem Port Vale resigned from the competition. Oldham Athletic was elected to the vacancy and took their place in the Second Division.

At the end of that first season, the 'Latics finished in a creditable third place behind Bradford City and Leicester Fosse. They had



Rodger Wylde — 12 goals last season.

started their Football League career in great style with a 3-1 win at Stoke on September 7, 1907, followed by a home win over West Bromwich (2-1), defeat at Bradford City (1-0) and another home victory over Hull City (3-0). By the close of the season Oldham had won 22, drawn 6 and lost 10 with 76 goals for and 42 against.

The same season they carried off the Lancashire Senior Cup and by 1910 were in the First Division, having finished sixth the season before. Impressive victories over Barnsley (5-0), Clapton Orient (5-0), Lincoln City (6-1), Bradford P.A. (6-1) and Leeds City (5-3) pushed the 'Latics to within a point of first placed Manchester City although they had suffered a 6-2 thrashing themselves at Glossop on December 27. No doubt it had been a gluttonous celebration for the Oldham players. . .

One can't imagine why, for up to December 31st Oldham only gained 17 points from 17 games. The new year produced a transformation which must go down as one of the most remarkable in the history of the game. By the end of the season Oldham had amassed 53 points and so earned promotion to the First Division, pipping Hull City and Derby County on goal average. The final statistics being P38 W23 D7 L8 F79 A39 Pts 53.

It is worth analysing that final run-in in greater detail for during the final month of the season Oldham completed eight fixtures — five of them away — and won six, drew one and lost one with an amazing 23 goals for and only five against. The programme went like this:

March	5	Wolverhampton (h)	3-0
	8	Bradford P.A. (a)	6-1
	12	Gainsborough Town (a)	2-0
	14	Barnsley (h)	5-0
	19	Grimsby Town (h)	4-1
	25	Stockport County (a)	0-2
	26	Manchester City (a)	2-0
	28	Derby County (a)	1-1

That was some month, with an epic climax against Derby who needed the win to take second place in the table themselves. As it was Oldham beat Hull by six goals.

ALMOST CHAMPIONS

This was undoubtedly the beginning of the clubs greatest era. In 1913 they reached the semi-final of the F.A. Cup — losing to Aston Villa — and in 1914 finished third in the First Division behind Blackburn Rovers and Aston Villa. Twelve months later and Oldham were

Oldham Athletic



ying for the Championship in a titanic struggle with Everton.

With four games left to play Oldham travelled to Goodison Park and emerged with a magnificent 4-3 victory which appeared to have set them up for the title. But then successive defeats at Spurs (1-0) and Bradford City (1-0) killed them, and with Everton's programme completed victory over Newcastle United in the final game could only clinch second place. The final table read:

Football League Division One 1914-15

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1. Everton	38	19	8	11	76	47	46
2. Oldham	38	17	11	10	70	56	45
3. Blackburn	38	18	7	13	83	61	43

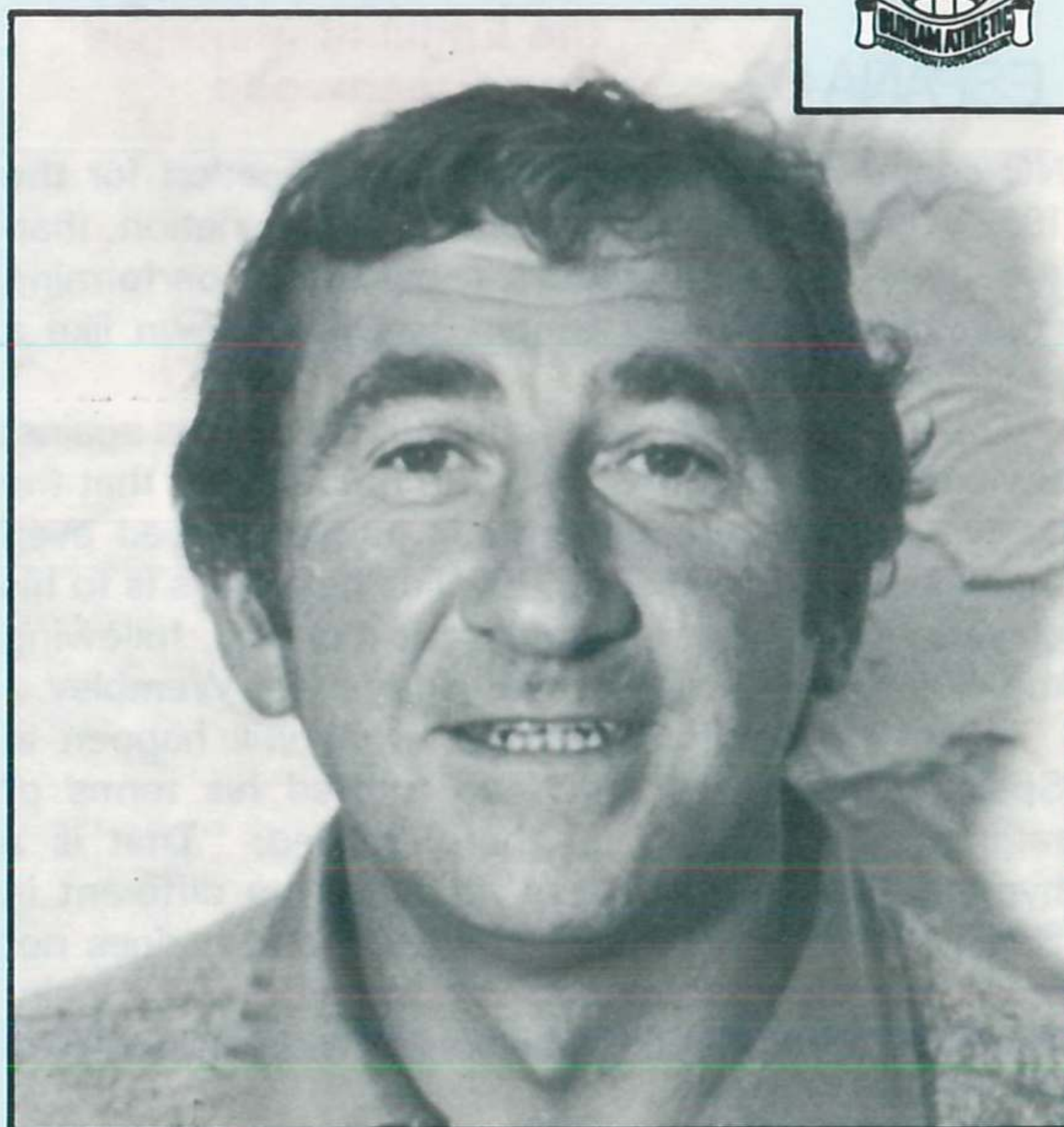
The 'Latics stayed in Division One until 1923. Relegation and a shortage of cash made life very difficult and apart from third place in the 2nd Division in 1930 they never really threatened to return. In 1935 it was demotion again, this time to the Third Division (N) but apart from a brief escape in 1954 the clubs fortunes stayed more on a downward slope.

Misfortune continued to pile upon misfortune and when Oldham sank into the Fourth Division in 1958 that was not the end. The following season they were forced to seek re-election, having won only 28 points from 46 games.

The following season 1960-61 Oldham finished 12th and then 11th before the resurgence took shape with the Runners-up spot to Brentford in 1963. Six years later and Oldham were propping up the Third Division, so it was back to Division Four.

It was then that Jimmy Frizzell, who had spent ten years as a player, with the club, took over as manager. Within four years Frizzell had led the 'Latics to the Third Division Championship. Oldham were back in the Second Division after 20 years in the wilderness. And that is by no means the end of the Boundary Park story. Their appearance this season among the Second Division promotion contenders is no fluke but the product of a hard working management team.

Together they have assembled and developed a collection of outstanding young players like Stephen Blair, Darren McDonough, Paul Heaton, Jim Steel and Paul Atkinson who Liverpool tried to sign for £300,000. Oldham's future lies as always within their own resources.



Jimmy Frizzell — long serving manager.

Managers since the war

Don Mellor, Frank Womack, Billy Wooton, George Hardwick, Ted Goodier, Peter McKennan, Norman Dodgin, Jack Rowley, Les McDowall, Gordon Hurst, Jimmy McIlroy, Jack Rowley and Jimmy Frizzell.

TOP LEAGUE SCORERS

1976-77	Vic Halom	19
1977-78	Steve Taylor	20
1978-79	Alan Young	10
1979-80	Simon Stainrod	11
1980-81	Rodger Wylde	12

YEAR FORMED: 1894

Turned professional — 1899

Previous name: Pine Villa 1894-1899

'Latics Role of Honour

First Division Runners-up	—	1914-15
Second Division Runners-up	—	1909-10
Third Division (N) Champions	—	1952-53
Third Division Champions	—	1973-74
Fourth Division Runners-up.	—	1962-63



Colin Benson looks at the problems facing the England manager Ron Greenwood

NO sooner had the euphoria of qualification for the 1982 World Cup Finals captured the imagination, than the doubt about England's capability of performing creditably in that tournament swooped down like a predatory bird.

The misgivings are well founded, for defeats against Switzerland and little Norway do not suggest that the lion is still king in the football jungle. Indeed even manager Ron Greenwood, loyal as he always is to his players, gave a hint of significant changes, following the clinching 1-0 victory over Hungary at Wembley.

In answer to the question, 'what will happen in Spain?' Greenwood who had fulfilled his terms of reference by getting us there, replied: "That is a hyperthetical question, the team will be different in Spain. We have a squad of players and it does not mean that tonight's squad will be the one in Spain. There are a lot of young players just as keen to play in the finals.

"It is now in the players hands. It is up to them to knock on the door and say 'I want to wear the hat in Spain.' It is then my job to make sure that we take the right ones."

This will obviously be Mr. Greenwood's hardest task, with only five, possibly six games, between now and the Finals to mould and balance the side into one capable of matching the likes of Brazil, Argentina and West Germany who have spent the past year and even more assembling their World Cup teams.

ON THE HOOK

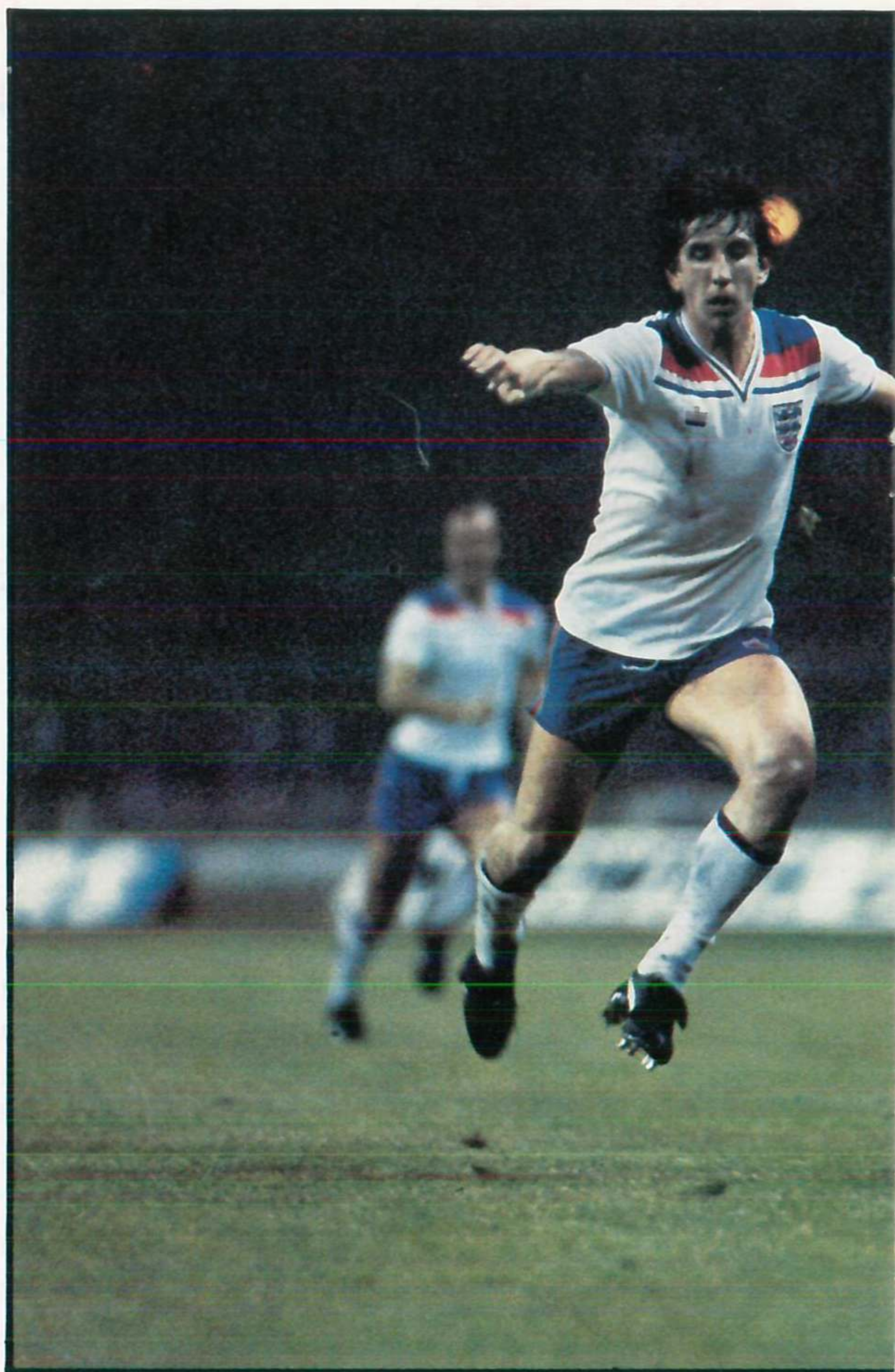
At present, England's pre-Spain schedule is the British Championship against Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland, plus a friendly against France in Paris on March 24, and another in Finland on June 3. It is also proposed to add Belgium to that sparse fixture list.

As we know, games against the Home countries bear little relationship to continental football and so the only benefit we could derive from those games **would be the opportunity to give match practice to a settled side.** But will these games be used in that context, or will the emphasis once more be on winning those comparatively trivial affairs?

It is a point raised by Ron Greenwood himself who said: "It's a Catch 22 situation. If I give young players their chance to settle into the team but lose in the process, everyone will be on our backs."

"Will you all let me off the hook until the finals?"

Common sense insists that the England boss must concentrate on establishing the foundations of a settled side and then give the youngsters their heads. In such a long and arduous tournament as this beneath the burning Spanish sun, the old guard of Mick Mills, Phil Neal, Trevor Brooking, Terry McDermott, Paul Mariner and Kevin Keegan will be unable to carry the banner by themselves . . . that is



Paul Mariner the scorer of England's winner against Hungary

why it is so important that younger candidates of the calibre of Alvin Martin, Kenny Sansom, Glenn Hoddle and Ray Wilkins together with Paul Goddard, Tony Morley and Alan Devonshire should make their mark and establish themselves as potential first choice players.

The Under-21 side also has players of potential. Men like Gary Shaw of Aston Villa, Justin Fashanu and Garry Thompson who with England's recent goal famine have the opportunity to stake their claims for a front line role.

FLEXIBILITY

"We shall try to keep the basis of a settled side and introduce other players into it gradually, to see if they can establish themselves," suggests Greenwood. But with only five games to experiment and establish the format there is little chance of a gradual development at this late hour.

Who will



y — it was his first international goal for a year.

The England boss accepts that some national teams have been successful because they have kept the same players together but points out: "Others, notably Argentina in 1978, have succeeded by using different people at different times, to do different jobs. It would be nice to be able to do that."

I only hope that Ron does not get torn between two minds. Prior to the European Championships in 1980 he was building a very attractive national team including two wingers, Steve Coppell and Peter Barnes. Barnes was axed from the final squad which travelled to Italy for the final tournament because said Greenwood; "he was sadly below his form." The England boss added; "If he recaptures the form he showed when he first joined the England squad then there will be a place for him."

Well Peter Barnes did just that in the Wembley game against Brazil last spring when he was picked

out by Brazil manager Tele Santana as England's outstanding player. Since then Barnes has been named in only one international team, that against Wales in the British International Championship tournament. He was called on against Switzerland and Norway to try and pull us out of embarrassing situations, but that was hardly using him to his best advantage.

One of the basic troubles confronting our national team in recent years has been the fact that they have been too predictable, and therefore easy to contain. This point was brought home quite dramatically in Basle last May when Switzerland beat us deservedly 2-1. Their manager Wolfisberg explained to me after the game: "The English were too simple, they played too many square passes and their main source of attack was to play long balls from the back up to the front men, and these are easy to see and deal with."

RESPECT

At this level you need players of invention, men who can harness skill and surprise and create the unexpected flash of magic that could win a game. It is an asset that is sadly missing from the English league at the moment where teamwork and work rate are given preference to individualism and flair. Players like Hoddle and Barnes are cast aside because they can not conform to the demands put upon them, thus we are deprived of their occasional flashes of genius for the sake of workers.

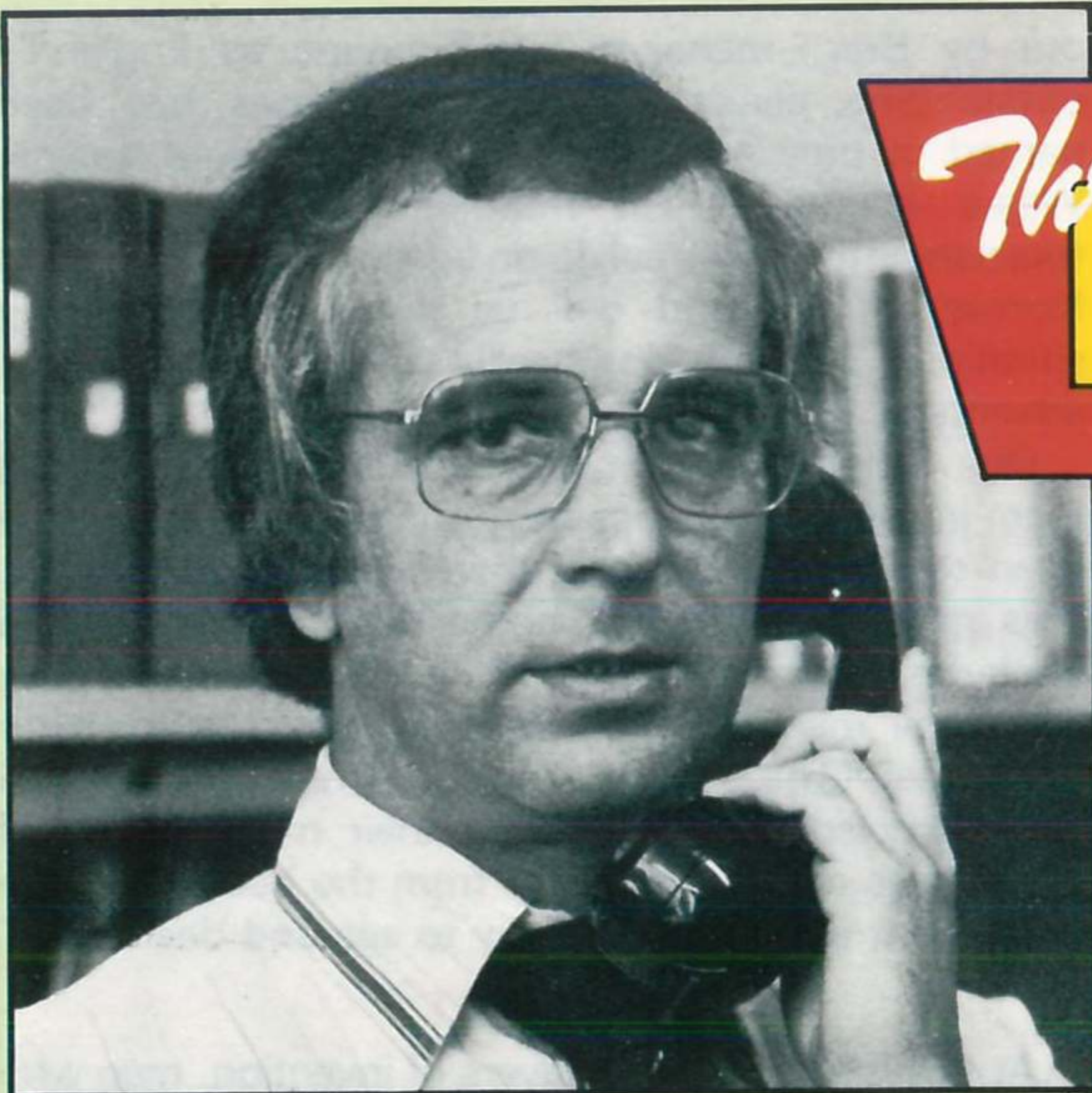
Abroad such players are nurtured and encouraged to express their skills. Every effort is made to develop the natural talents and gain even more from the players. Emphasis is placed on technique. Brazil for instance do not ask Zico or Socrates to track back and do a defensive job in addition to their prescribed roles. Their efforts are channelled into creative play, into making and scoring goals.

Perhaps if we treated the likes of Hoddle and Barnes with the same respect we might produce some world class players, something that is obviously missing from our ranks at the present time. It is important because you can not even contemplate winning a series like the World Cup without a sprinkling of world class players to lift the team above normality. . . and apart from the goalkeeper we simply have none.

There are players of infinite ability around, Hoddle and Barnes already mentioned, Kenny Sansom, Bryan Robson and Ray Wilkins and of course the enigmatic Trevor Francis, but whether the system will allow them to ever reach their full potential is a point for quiet conjecture.

Meanwhile Ron Greenwood has the thankless task of producing an instant team within five matches. The basis will no doubt be drawn from the current squad and with a little bit of luck one or two players might suddenly blossom forth onto the international platform this season as indeed Martin Peters and Geoff Hurst did in 1966.

wear the hat in Spain?



The PAUL PARISH page

JUST A POINT!

IT was the most talked about experiment of the soccer age — the Football League's introduction of three points for a win.

Immediately, I must stress, these are early days to make an accurate evaluation of the new system, but it is, nevertheless, illuminating to keep a progress report.

And the signs are that the change of point scoring is making next to no change in football you and I watch on a Saturday afternoon.

For the purpose of the experiment I have cut the season off after 14 matches (approximately) which is one third of the full programme.

The First Division table, showing this season's and last season's points systems is as follows:

1981-82	P	2-pts	3pts
Manchester U	16	21	29
Spurs	14	18	27
Ipswich	14	18	26
Swansea	14	18	26
West Ham	14	19	25
Southampton	14	16	23
Nottm Forest	14	17	23
Manchester C	14	16	22
Liverpool	14	16	21
Arsenal	14	15	21
Brighton	14	16	20
Stoke	15	14	20
Everton	14	13	18
Aston Villa	14	13	16
Birmingham	14	12	15
WBA	14	12	15
Coventry	14	11	15
Notts C	14	11	15
Wolves	14	11	15
Leeds	14	11	15
Middlesbrough	16	9	11
Sunderland	15	9	11

Very little difference, as you can see. Only three sides would actually climb the table if last season's two-point system had been retained. West Ham are the biggest sufferers — they would have been second under the old ruling. Nottingham Forest and Brighton would both have found themselves marginally better off.

How does this compare with last season? The same principle applies to this table.

Once again there is very little difference between the position under either points rule. As expected in both years the sides who have emerged as draw specialists — West Ham this year, for example — are the hardest hit.

It should be stressed at this point that at no time was it suggested that there would be any major differences in league tables. That, after all, was not the point of the change.

What was intended, however, was that there would be an increase of attacking football as teams chased three points for a win instead of just one for a draw.

Alas, this has not been the case.

In 1980-81 there was a total of 419 goals in the first 150 league matches — an average of 2.79 per game.



Goal! Coventry celebrate another . . . but there has not been the increase expected.

	P	2-pts	3-pts
Aston Villa	14	22	32
Ipswich	12	20	28
Liverpool	13	18	24
Nottm Forest	14	18	24
Manchester U	14	18	23
WBA	14	18	25
Everton	14	17	24
Arsenal	14	17	23
Sunderland	14	14	19
Spurs	13	14	19
Southampton	14	13	18
Middlesbrough	14	13	18
Stoke	14	13	17
Birmingham	13	12	15
Coventry	14	12	17
Leeds	14	11	15
Wolves	13	10	14
Norwich	13	9	12
Leicester	14	9	13
Brighton	14	8	10
Manchester C	14	8	10
C. Palace	13	6	9

In 1981-82 there have been 424 goals in the first 158 matches an average of 2.68 per game.

It is an insignificant difference but it would have been a little more encouraging had there been a slight increase in the goal tempo rather than a marginal decrease.

Have away teams gone in search of victory to a greater degree this season?

Here there is a suspicion that away sides are becoming more successful as the table shows,

	Matches Played	Away wins	Away draws
1980-81	150	33	40
1981-82	158	36	45

There is also a slight increase in the ratio of goals being scored by away sides: 1980-81 — 152 from 150 games for an average of 1.01 per game;

1981-82 — 171 from 158 games for an average of 1.08 per game.

But as you can see from all these statistics there has been precious little change in the overall picture. Probably no more difference, in fact, than between any two seasons.

These are early days, it's true, but the three-point system doesn't seem to be having the desired effect.

Perhaps you think differently. Perhaps the statistics give a false picture and that the entertainment this season has improved. Only you know the answer to that. Why not drop us a line at Centrespot, 24-26 Fowler Road, Hainault Industrial Estate, Ilford, Essex, and give us your opinion of the experiment.

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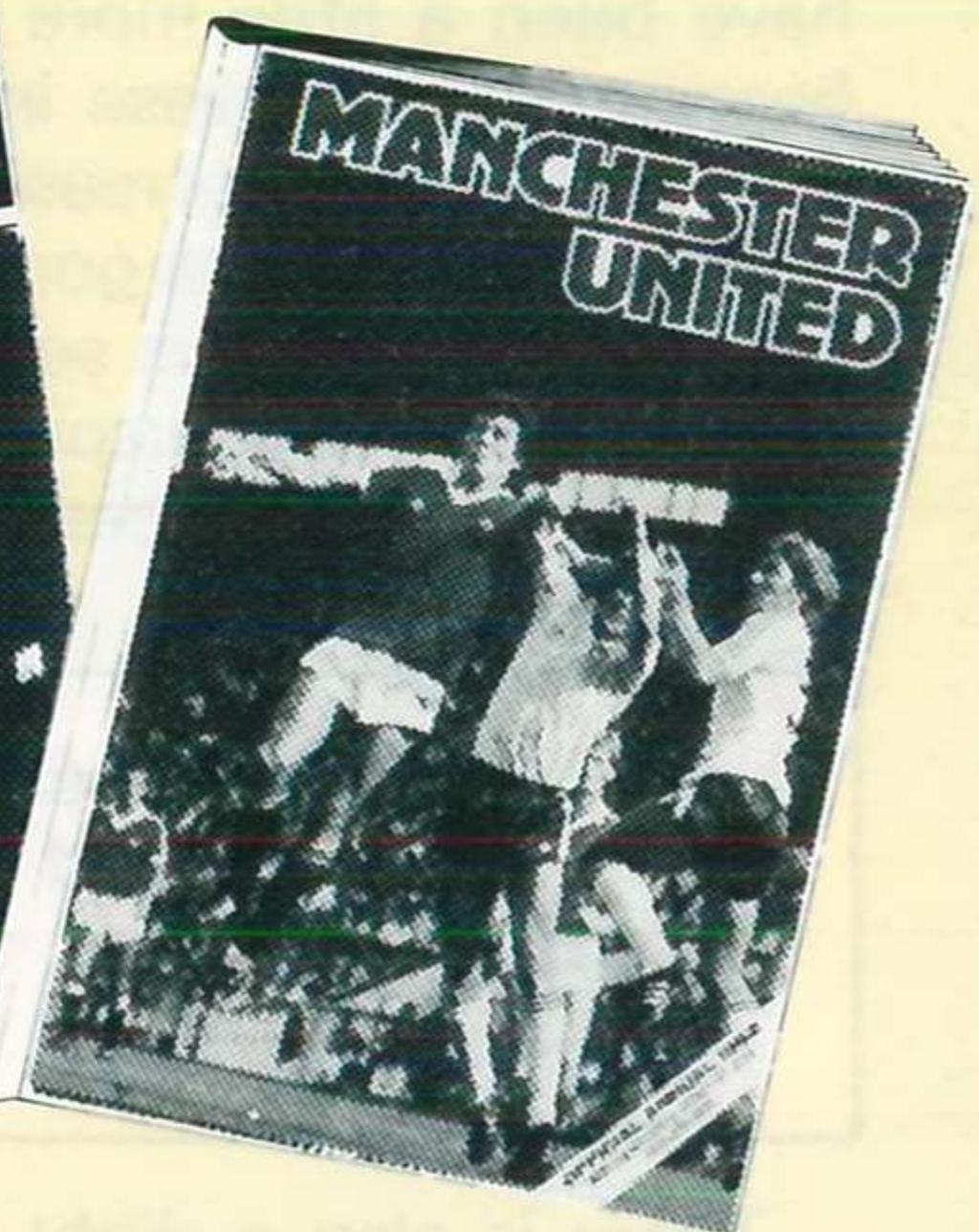
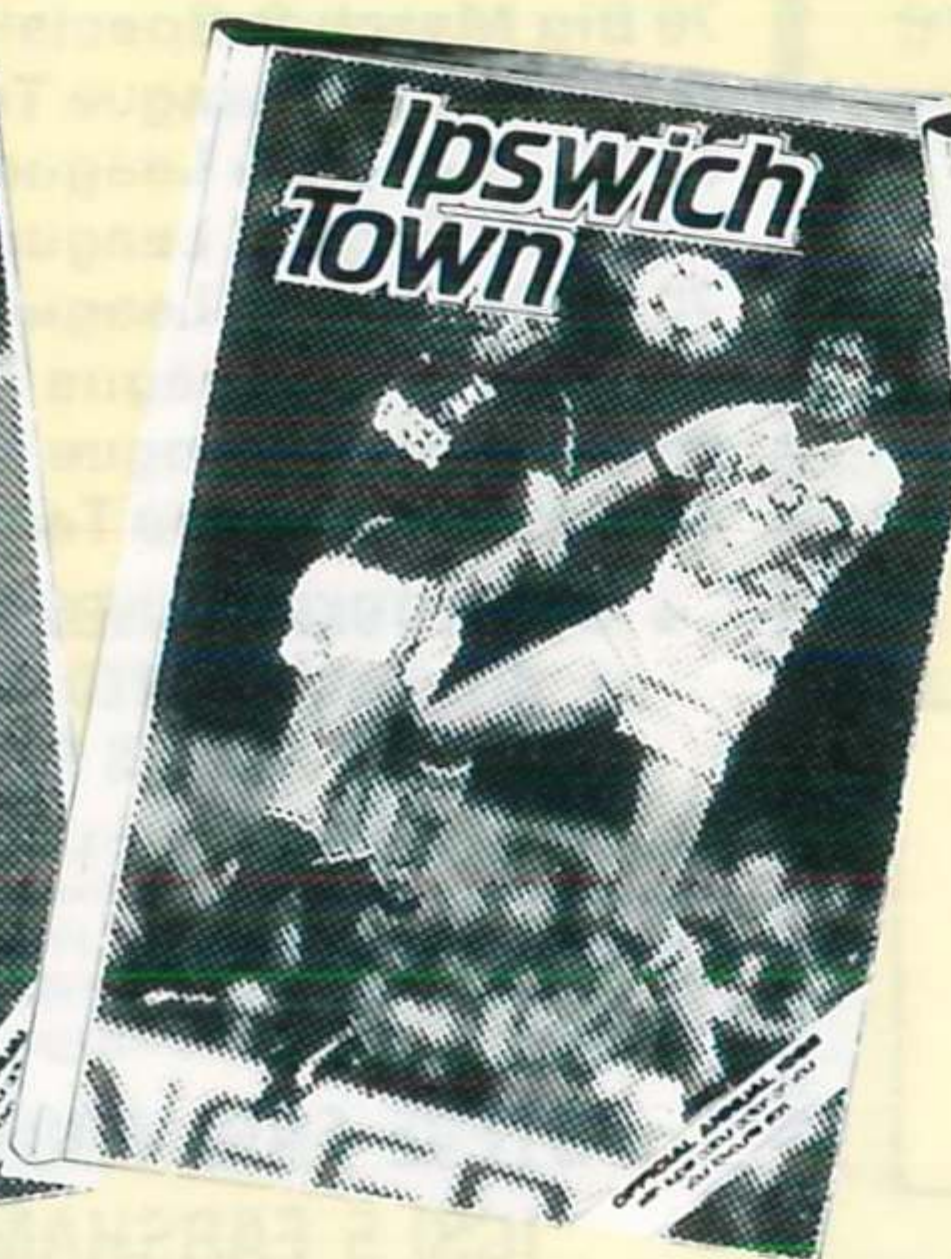
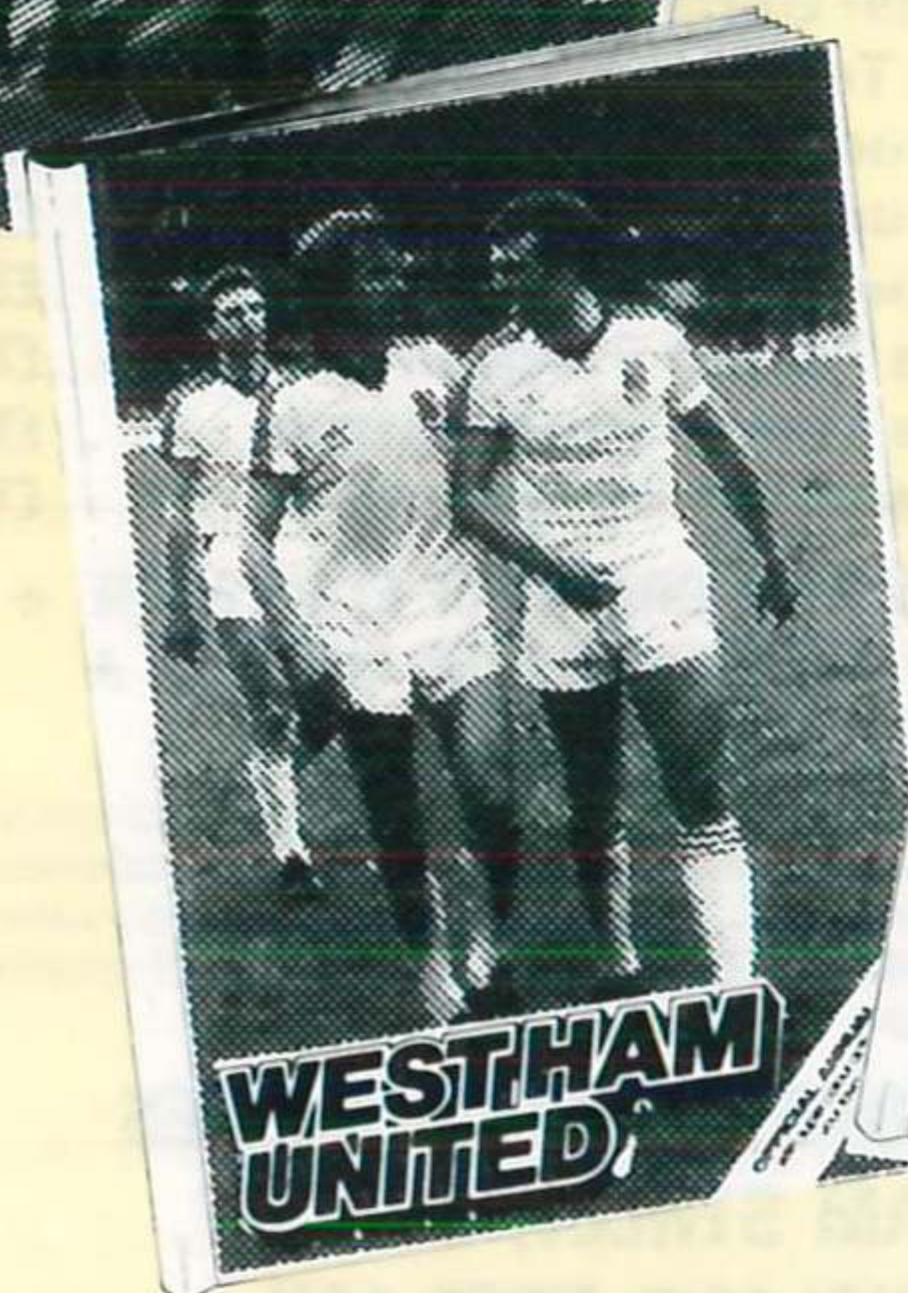
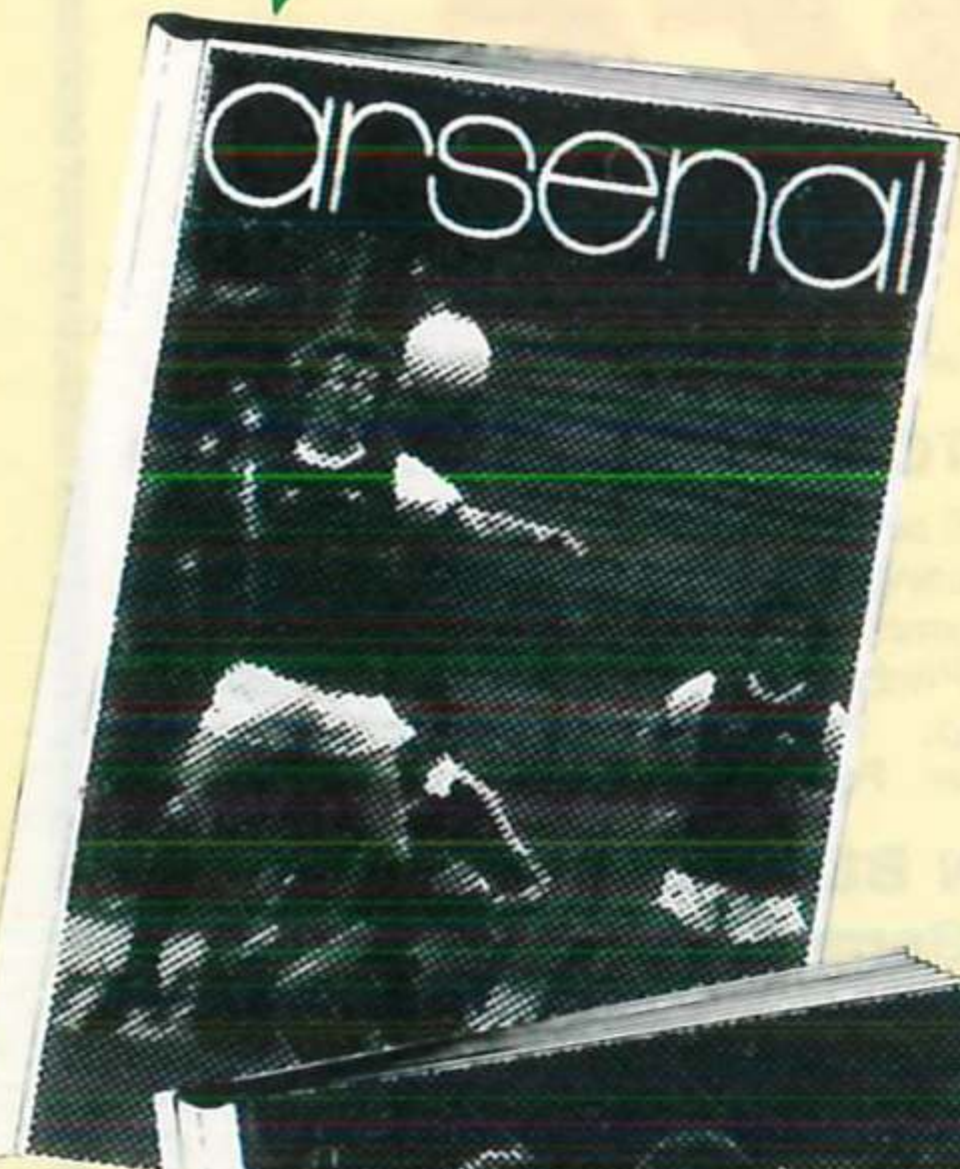
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Aston Villa	1-0	2-0
Birmingham	6-0	2-5
Blackpool	1-3	0-0
Burnley	0-1	0-2
Cardiff	4-0	0-1
Charlton	1-3	1-3
Chelsea	4-0	2-0
Everton	1-1	0-1
Huddersfield	2-2	1-3
Luton	4-0	0-0
Manchester City	1-3	0-2
Manchester United	3-1	0-1
Newcastle	3-2	0-3
Portsmouth	4-0	3-3
Preston	0-0	1-0
Sheffield United	2-1	3-1
Sunderland	0-3	0-0
Tottenham	3-2	3-0
W.B.A.	4-0	0-2
Wolves	2-1	2-4

F.A. CUP

Rd.	3— Huddersfield (h)	3-0
	4— Sheff. United (h)	1-2

LEAGUE SCORERS

Lofthouse	32	Stevens	13
Parry	7	Gubbins	6
Holden	4	Barras	2
Edwards	2	Wheeler	1
Allcock	1	Webster	1
Neill	1	Hartle	1

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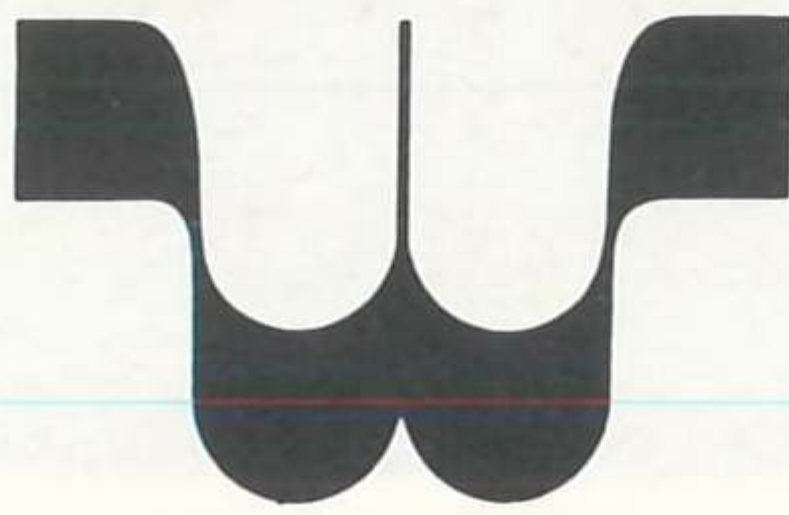
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Manchester Utd.	42	25	10	7	83	51	60
Blackpool	42	20	9	13	86	62	49
Wolverhampton W.	42	20	9	13	89	65	49
Manchester City	42	18	10	14	82	69	46
Arsenal	42	18	10	14	60	61	46
Birmingham City	42	18	9	15	75	57	45
Burnley	42	18	8	16	64	54	44
Bolton W.	42	18	7	17	71	58	43
Sunderland	42	17	9	16	80	95	43
Luton Town	42	17	8	17	66	64	42
Newcastle Utd.	42	17	7	18	85	70	41
Portsmouth	42	16	9	17	78	85	41
W.B.A.	42	18	5	19	58	70	41
Charlton	42	17	6	19	75	81	40
Everton	42	15	10	17	55	69	40
Chelsea	42	14	11	17	64	77	39
Cardiff City	42	15	9	18	55	69	39
Tottenham	42	15	7	20	61	71	37
Preston N.E.	42	14	8	20	73	72	36
Aston Villa	42	11	13	18	52	69	35
Huddersfield	42	14	7	21	54	83	35
Sheffield Utd.	42	12	9	21	63	77	33

FOOTBALL LEAGUE

appearances:

Allcock T.	5	Ball J.	2
Banks T.	39	Banister N.	2
Barnard A.	1	Barras M. W.	32
Birch B.	11	Dean J.	2
Edwards G. B.	42	Edwards J. G.	1
Grieves K. J.	37	Gubbins R. G.	34
Hanson S.	2	Hartle L. R.	40
Hennin D.	2	Higgins J. O.	10
Holden A. D.	40	Lofthouse N.	36
Moir W.	2	Neill T. K.	6
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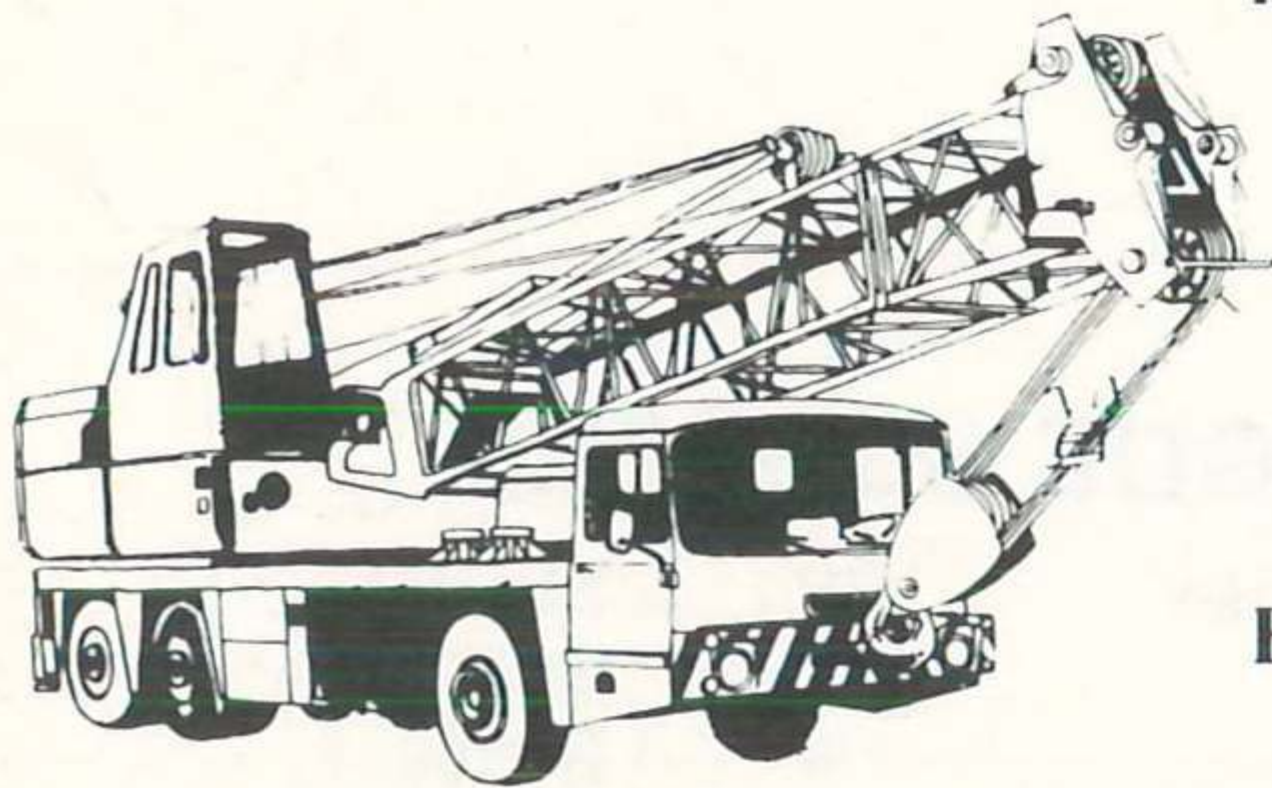
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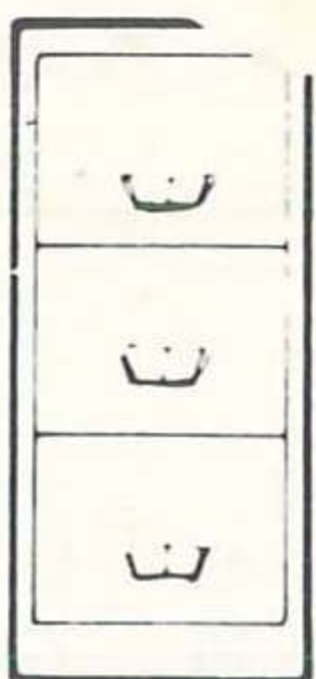
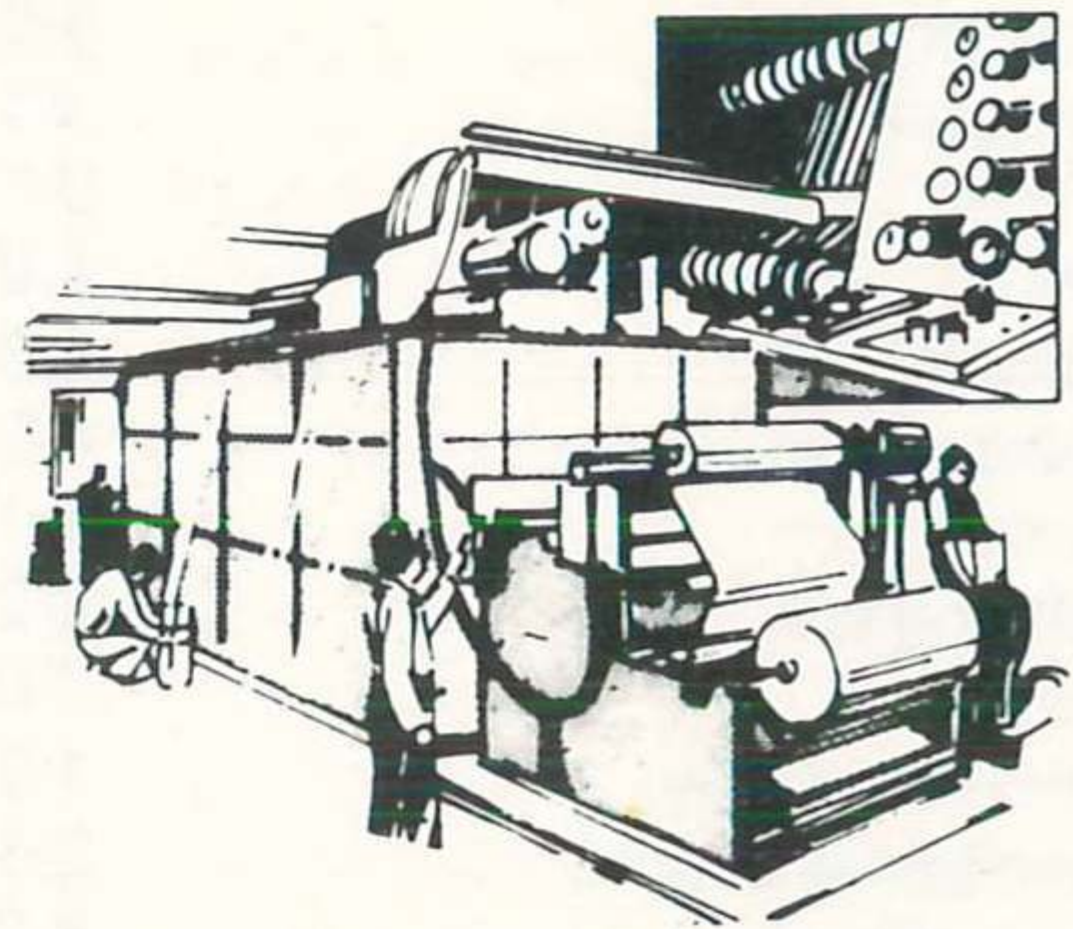
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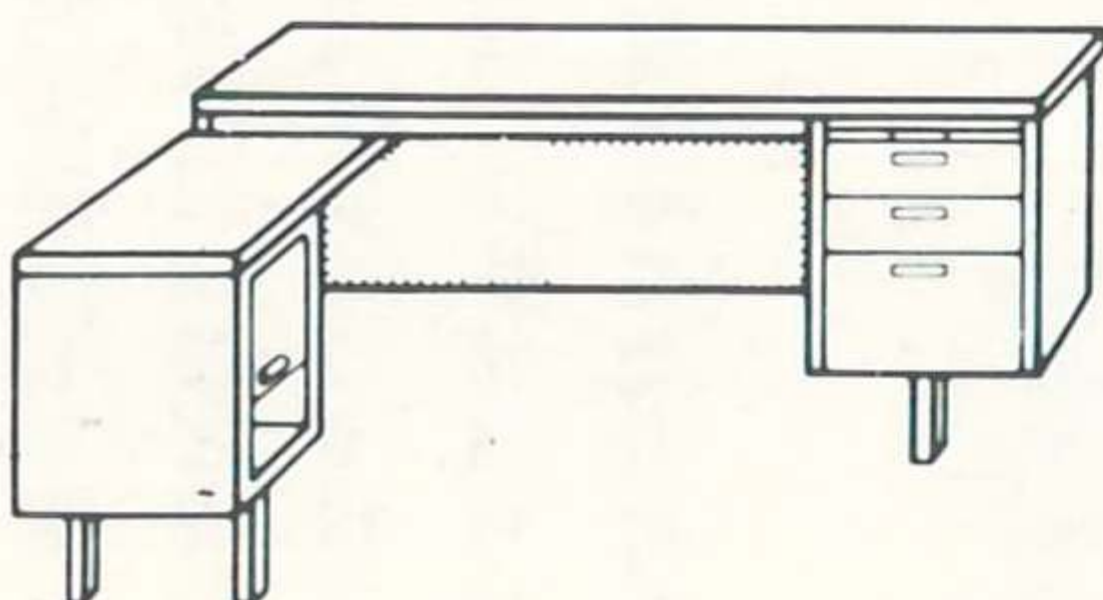
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Burnden Park NEWS



by ELTON WELSBY

It is remarkable how certain players have an affinity with the FA Cup and whatever their fortunes in the League, the Cup is a different matter.

There are examples all over the country, but in this region Wrexham's Dixie McNeill is the most obvious.

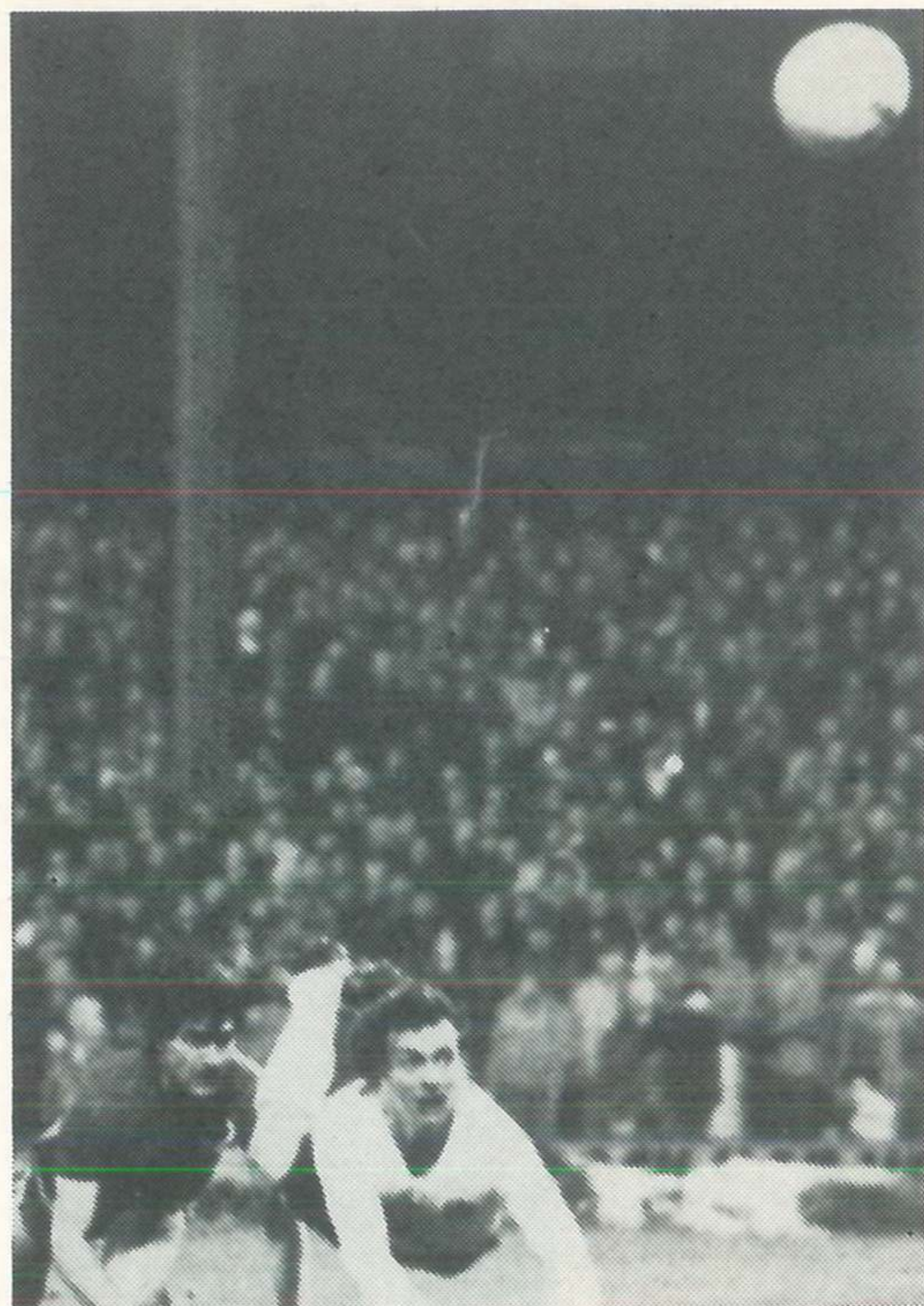
Dixie's record up to this season was virtually a goal a game in his last twenty one Cup ties — as any goalscorer will tell you that takes some doing!

And then playing his first game for well over a month — against Nottingham Forest in the Third Round — Dixie scored Wrexham's last goal to round off a remarkable 3-1 win. Dixie told me: "I love Cup football, but I don't think I play any differently, or change my approach in the Cup. I didn't realise what my Cup record was until someone pointed it out last season. Not bad for an old 'un."

Dixie has always been rather guarded about his age, but on one KICK OFF programme last year he gave us a broad hint. In one of his early appearances for Leicester reserves during the 60's he played against Pat Jennings, who was then playing for Watford reserves. That makes them roughly the same age and Jennings is thirty six. Neither he or Dixie have any thought about retirement just yet.

I spent an enjoyable evening a short while ago in the company of about two hundred young Wigan Athletic supporters. It was an awards ceremony, with sixty of the youngsters receiving medals and badges from the Coca Cola Super Skills scheme which is run in conjunction with the Football Association. Their enthusiasm certainly proved to me that today's kids are just as keen as we were. There are differences, of course, like more organised football and better incentives. The most important ingredient of all though has not and must not change — enjoyment. And that responsibility rests with the coaches. They seem to have found the right blend at Wigan.

Although they suffered some disappointing setbacks over the holiday period, Oldham Athletic are still one of the leading candidates in the Second Division. If they are promoted what a marvellous achievement it would be for manager, Jimmy Frizzell who took over when the club were in the Fourth Division. "Everyone connected with Oldham wants promotion back to the First Division, even though some outsiders feel we might struggle to survive if we make it. But at Oldham we would regard it as a success to stay fourth from bottom in Division One for the first couple of years." Frizzell continued: "We would have to become established as a First Division side — but we are aware of that. Don't forget people have been saying for years that Oldham won't survive, but we are still progressing."



Geoff Langley goes close with this header against Blackburn.



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1981/82	Opponents	Att.	F	A	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Aug	Chelsea	16,606	0	2	McDonagh	Nicholson	Brennan	McElhinney	Jones	Gowling	Thomas ¹	Thompson	Hoggan	Cantello	Reid	Nikolic
Sept	LC1 (1L) Oldham	5,156	2	1	McDonagh	Nicholson	Bennett	McElhinney	Jones	Gowling	Thomas ¹	Kidd ¹	Hoggan	Cantello	Reid	Thompson
	Luton Town	6,911	1	2	McDonagh	Nicholson	Bennett	McElhinney	Jones	Gowling	Thomas	Kidd	Hoggan	Cantello	Reid	Thompson
	Barnsley	13,844	0	3	McDonagh	Nicholson	Bennett	McElhinney	Jones	Gowling	Thomas	Kidd	Hoggan	Cantello	Reid	Thompson
	LC1 (2L) Oldham	4,779	2	4	McDonagh	Nicholson	Bennett	Brennan	Jones	Gowling	Nikolic	Kidd	Hoggan	Cantello†	Reid	Thompson
	Oldham Athletic	7,222	0	2	McDonagh	Henry	Bennett	Brennan	Jones	Gowling	Thompson	Kidd	Hoggan	Thompson ¹	Carter	Berry ¹
	Derby County	12,066	2	0	McDonagh	Nicholson	Bennett	Henry	McElhinney ¹	Gowling	Thompson ¹	Kidd	Hoggan	Cantello†	Carter	Nicholson
	Rotherham United	6,998	0	2	Peacock	Jones	Bennett	Henry	McElhinney	Gowling	Thompson ¹	Kidd	Hoggan	Cantello	Hebbard	Carter
	Newcastle United	6,429	1	0	Peacock	Jones	Bennett	Henry	McElhinney	Gowling	Thompson ¹	Carter	Hoggan	Cantello	Hebbard	Foster
Oct.	Grimsby Town	7,217	1	2	Peacock	Jones	Bennett	Henry	McElhinney	Gowling	Thompson	Carter	Hoggan	Cantello	Hebbard	Foster
	Leicester City	7,361	0	3	McDonagh	Bennett	Brennan	Henry	McElhinney†	Gowling	Chandler	Kidd	Thompson	Cantello	Hebbard	Thomas ¹
	Cardiff City	3,879	1	2	McDonagh	Whitworth	Brennan†	Henry ²	Jones	Gowling	Chandler	Kidd	Thompson	Cantello	Hebbard	Thomas
	Cambridge United	5,751	3	4	McDonagh	Whitworth	Bennett	Henry ²	Jones	Gowling	Chandler	Kidd	Thompson	Cantello	Hebbard	Hoggan
	Norwich City	12,991	0	0	McDonagh	Whitworth	Bennett	Henry ¹	Jones	Gowling	Chandler	Kidd	Hoggan	Cantello	Hebbard	Foster
Nov	Watford	7,066	2	0	McDonagh	Whitworth	Bennett	Henry	Jones	Gowling	Chandler	Kidd	Hoggan	Cantello	Hebbard	Thomas
	Shrewsbury Town	4,062	0	2	McDonagh	Whitworth	Bennett	Henry	Jones	Gowling	Chandler	Kidd†	Hoggan	Cantello	Hebbard	Foster
	Orient	5,737	1	0	McDonagh	Whitworth	Bailey	Henry	Jones	Gowling	Chandler	Thompson†	Hoggan	Cantello	Thompson ¹	Thompson
	Luton Town	8,889	0	2	McDonagh	Whitworth	Bailey	Henry	Jones	Gowling	Chandler	Thompson†	Hoggan	Cantello	Thompson ¹	Foster
	Crystal Palace	8,839	0	0	McDonagh	Whitworth	Bailey	Henry	Jones	Gowling	Chandler†	Foster	Hoggan	Cantello	Hoggan	Foster
	Queens Park Rangers	6,076	1	0	McDonagh	Whitworth	Bailey	Henry	Jones	Gowling	Chandler†	Foster	Hoggan	Cantello	Hoggan	Thompson
Dec	Charlton Athletic	5,085	2	0	McDonagh	Whitworth	Bailey	Henry ¹	Jones	Gowling	Chandler ¹	Foster	Hoggan	Cantello	Hoggan	Thompson
	Blackburn Rovers	16,577	2	2	McDonagh	Whitworth	Bennett	Henry ¹	Jones	McElhinney	Chandler	Foster	Gowling	Cantello	Thompson ¹	Langley
Jan	Derby County (FAC3)	9,534	3	1	McDonagh	Whitworth	Bennett	Henry	Jones	McElhinney	Chandler	Foster ¹	Gowling	Cantello†	Thompson ¹	Carter
	Chelsea													Langley		
	Crystal Palace (FAC4)															
Feb	Oldham Athletic															
	Barnsley															
	Grimbsy Town (5)															
	Sheffield Wednesday															
	Rotherham United															
Mar	Leicester City															
	Cardiff City (6)															
	Wrexham															
	Cambridge United (LCF)															
	Norwich City															
April	Watford															
	Shrewsbury Town (SF)															
	Wrexham															
	Blackburn Rovers															
	Orient															
	Crystal Palace															
May	Queens Park Rangers															
	Derby County															
	Sheffield Wednesday															
	Charlton Athletic															
	F.A. Cup Final															

To be arranged:
Newcastle United

BURNDEN DATES

LEAGUE DIVISION TWO

BARNESLEY

SATURDAY 6th FEBRUARY 1982

KICK-OFF 3.00 p.m.

STATISTICS



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CRYSTAL PALACE

LEAGUE DIVISION TWO

(Up to and including Saturday 9th January 1982)

	HOME		GOALS		AWAY		GOALS		Pts	
	P	W	D	L	F	A	L	F	A	Pts
Luton Town	19	7	0	2	24	10	1	20	10	44
Oldham Athletic	22	6	6	1	20	13	3	13	11	38
Watford	19	5	3	1	16	8	3	13	13	35
Queens Park Rangers	20	7	2	2	15	5	5	12	14	33
Chelsea	20	5	3	2	16	12	4	12	15	32
Blackburn Rovers	21	4	2	3	8	5	3	17	15	31
Barnsley	19	7	1	1	17	4	2	6	13	30
Sheffield Wednesday	18	5	2	2	14	12	4	8	10	30
Leicester City	19	3	4	2	10	7	3	15	13	26
Charlton Athletic	21	6	1	3	19	13	4	6	9	26
Norwich City	20	5	3	2	14	10	7	8	20	25
Newcastle United	18	6	2	1	15	5	1	7	14	24
Cardiff City	19	5	1	4	13	15	2	5	9	24
Crystal Palace	17	6	0	3	12	7	5	2	7	23
Shrewsbury Town	18	5	2	2	15	10	5	4	14	23
Derby County	18	4	3	2	14	11	6	9	19	22
Rotherham United	17	6	1	2	20	9	6	5	16	21
Cambridge United	18	5	0	4	15	11	7	10	18	21
Orient	20	3	3	3	9	9	8	7	15	21
Bolton Wanderers	20	5	1	5	14	15	7	3	14	20
Wrexham	18	3	0	6	9	14	4	11	12	18
Grimsby Town	17	1	3	4	9	12	4	9	17	17

CENTRAL LEAGUE

1981-82	F	A
Aug. Sept.	0	4
1	0	6
5	1	6
8	1	1
12	0	3
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26	1	4
3	1	4
9	1	3
17	1	2
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31	2	1
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10	1	1
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EVERTON Coventry City Nottingham Forest Liverpool BLACKBURN R. MANCHESTER CITY Newcastle Utd. Sheffield Utd. BURY PRESTON N.E. STOKE CITY Burnley Huddersfield T. Sheffield Wed. COVENTRY CITY DERBY COUNTY West Brom. A. Aston Villa WOLVERHAMPTON W. NOTTINGHAM F. Everton BLACKPOOL HUDDERSFIELD T. MANCHESTER UTD. Blackburn R. NEWCASTLE UTD. Leeds United Manchester City SHEFFIELD UTD. Bury WEST BROM. A. Preston N. E. BURNLEY Stoke City Manchester Utd. SHEFFIELD WED. Derby County LIVERPOOL ASTON VILLA Blackpool Wolverhampton W. LEEDS UNITED

BOLTON

A666(M)/M61/M62 (follow 'Liverpool' and 'M6 South' signs) to intersection 10, junction with M6 16 miles
M6/M1 south (follow 'London' signs) to M1 terminal at Staples Corner, junction with A406 (North Circular Road) 213 miles
A406 westbound to Chiswick roundabout continuing on with A205 (South Circular) to junction with A23 228 miles
A23 (right) along Streatham Hill and Streatham High Road, then left at William the Fourth Hotel along Green Lane, Parchmore Road and High Street across Grange Road into Whitehorse Lane to Crystal Palace football ground at South Norwood 232 miles

TODAYS REFEREE

ROBERTS, FFRANGCON (Prestatyn). Started refereeing in Stockport in 1970. On moving to Wales in 1974 progressed to the Welsh League and Cheshire League to the Football League. Refereed North Wales Juniors v. Scotland Juniors - 1977; in 1979 officiated in the Wales Youth v. Northern Ireland Youth game; and in 1980 lined a European Cup match, Hvidovre v. Feyenoord.

A married man, with two children, he is Headmaster of a primary school and his interests include squash, athletics, home wine making and gardening. He is a qualified Referees' Instructor with the Welsh F.A.

LINESMEN:

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(Kirkby)
Red Flag
K. N. Maughan
(Stockport)
Yellow Flag



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Team Check

Bolton Wanderers

- 1 Jim McDonagh
- 2 Steve Whitworth
- 3 Mike Bennett
- 4 Tony Henry
- 5 Paul Jones
- 6 Gerry McElhinney
- 7 Jeff Chandler
- 8 Wayne Foster
- 9 Alan Gowling
- 10 Geoff Langley
- 11 Chris Thompson
- 12

Chelsea

- 1 Steve Francis
- 2 Graham Wilkins
- 3 Chris Hutchings
- 4 Kevin Hales
- 5 Micky Droy
- 6 Colin Pates
- 7 Alan Mayes
- 8 John Bumstead
- 9 Colin Lee
- 10 Clive Walker
- 11 Mike Fillery
- 12

HALF TIME SCOREBOARD

A	BIRMINGHAM CITY EVERTON		
B	BRIGHTON & HOVE A. WEST HAM UNITED		
C	LEEDS UNITED SWANSEA CITY		
D	LIVERPOOL WOLVERHAMPTON W.		
E	MANCHESTER UNITED COVENTRY CITY		
F	NOTTS COUNTY ASTON VILLA		
G	SOUTHAMPTON NOTTINGHAM FOREST		
H	STOKE CITY ARSENAL		
I	SUNDERLAND IPSWICH TOWN		
J	TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR MIDDLESBROUGH		
K	WEST BROMWICH A. MANCHESTER CITY		
L	CAMBRIDGE UNITED CRYSTAL PALACE		
M	CARDIFF CITY OLDHAM ATHLETIC		
N	CHARLTON ATHLETIC LUTON TOWN		
O	LEICESTER CITY GRIMSBY TOWN		
P	NORWICH CITY ROTHERHAM UNITED		
Q	ORIENT DERBY COUNTY		
R	QUEENS PARK RANGERS WREXHAM		
S	SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY BLACKBURN ROVERS		
T	SHREWSBURY TOWN BARNLEY		
U	WATFORD NEWCASTLE UNITED		
V	COLCHESTER UNITED BURY		
W	ROCHDALE SHEFFIELD UNITED		
X	WIGAN ATHLETIC PETERBOROUGH UNITED		

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